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WRITING SKILLS for Scientists and Engineers

A SPECIAL PROGRAM
COMBINING TWO DAYS OF
INTENSIVE WORKSHOP
WITH A SIX MONTH
LEARNING EXPERIENCE

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iting - an essential professional skill

Written communications are an important part of a scientific professional's work. Important facts, analyses, and key recommendations come to life when expressed in clear written form. In today's organizations, a scientific professional is a weak voice if he cannot communicate in writing.

The engineer or scientist who can write well makes efficient use of his time. His reports are on time and consume the fewest possible man-hours in preparation: his written material is tangible proof of clear thinking. His writing skill contributes to his organization's progress and enhances his own personal career development.

riting - a learnable skill

Writing skills can be improved. The American Institute uses tested teaching techniques to improve writing skills. A Communications Planning Worksheet helps the writer focus on his reader, his message and format of his written communication. Fifteen written exercises show the participant how to compose his message. The seminar participant is taught the essentials of business grammar and simple ways to maintain clarity. During the entire two days he is actively involved in the writing process.

A successful teaching method

Workshop participants learn writing skills in two phases. The first phase is described in the Workshop Syllabus. The second phase, the Individualized Coaching Program, is in effect for six months after the Seminar and helps the attendee with his writing after he returns to his job. The Individualized Coaching Program encourages the participant to submit copies of his written communications to the Course Director for editing or critique. The material will then be returned with suggestions for improvement.

Attending the workshop

The American Institute for Professional Education again presents this intensive two-day seminar/workshop for scientists and engineers. The course is designed for rapid improvement of the participant's basic writing skills. Sessions have been scheduled in the cities shown above. American Institute Seminars are consistently rated by attendees as the best professional education available.

Class size is limited. To reserve space, call our Registration Phone (201) 377-7400.

Course Director DR. EDMOND H. WEISS

Dr. Edmond H. Weiss is a specialist in development programs for scientific professionals. His consulting firm provides clients with specialized services such as training programs, proposal and report writing, and policy-level analyses. Dr. Weiss was formerly Associate Dean of the ANNENBERG SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATIONS, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA. While a Senior Associate at GOVERNMENT STUDIES AND SYSTEMS, INC., Dr. Weiss managed a variety of R&D projects and conducted training programs for a variety of governmental and scientific agencies. Dr. Weiss is the author of numerous articles, manuals, and studies. He is an expert in scientific and technical writing.



COURSE MATERIALS - Writing Skills Workbook/ Communications Planning Kit/Webster's New World Dictionary/Webster's New World Thesaurus/New York Times Guide to Reference Material/How to Build Vocabulary/Speed Reading Made Easy/New Guide to Better Writing

Workshop Syllabus

DAY ONE AGENDA

9:00-9:30 Unit 1. Introduction

> Introductions Overview

Assessment of Writing Needs

9:30-10:15 Unit 2. Writing: Why and What

Written Communications: Purposes

and Effects

Science/Engineering Messages:

Types and Parts

Consequences of Ineffective Writing

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-12:00 Unit 3. Planning Communications

The S-M-C-R Model A Planning Method

Communications Planning Worksheet (CPW)

Reader Analysis Exercise

Other Aids

12:00-1:00 Luncheon

Unit 4. The Proposal 1:00-3:00

> Solicited vs. Unsolicited The Structure and Content Managing the Writing Process

Planning Exercise **Evaluation Criteria**

3:00-3:15 Coffee Break

Unit 5. Writing Reports 3:15-5:00

Project Reports vs. "Papers"

The Structure

Report Planning Exercise Technical Language The "COIK" Problem

Editing Exercise

5:00-6:00 **Unit 6. Writing for Publication**

(OPTIONAL SESSION)

Markets for Scientific Writing Manuscript Requirements

Placing the Piece Marketing Books

Presenting Professional Papers

DAY TWO **AGENDA**

9:00-9:30 Unit 7. Feedback/Report Planning

9:30-10:15 **Unit 8. Effective Business Memos**

> Memo Reports Office Memos

Memo Planning Exercises

Memo Writing Exercises

10:15-10:30 Coffee Break

10:30-12:00 Unit 9. Effective Business Letters

Covering Letters

Sales Letters

Letter Planning Exercises Letter Writing Exercises

12:00-1:00 Luncheon

1:00-3:00 Unit 10. Clear, Effective Writing

3:00-3:15 Coffee Break

3:15-4:30 Unit 11. Methods, Tools and Mechanics

4:30-4:45 Unit 12. Individualized Coaching

Individualized Coaching Program

For six months after the Writing Skills Workshop, participants are asked to submit reports, memos, and other scientific and engineering communications to the Course Director for review and critique. All written material will be edited and returned with suggestions for improvement. This Individualized Coaching Program has proved a valuable aid in helping professionals improve their writing. Past participants have found this unique tutorial concept produces effective, tangible results.

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Saddle Brook, Sep. 26-27 Howard Johnson Motor Lodge Garden State Parkway, I-80 Saddle Brook New Jersey 07662

Hartford, Sep. 28-29 Hotel Sonesta Constitution Plaza Hartford, Connecticut 06103 (203) 278-2000

(201) 845-7800

Baltimore, Oct. 11-12
Friendship International Hotel
Baltimore International Airport

Baltimore, Maryland 21240 (301) 761-7700

New Orleans, Oct. 13-14 Sheraton Inn 2150 Veterans Blvd. New Orleans, Louisiana 70062 (504) 722-3111 Detroit, Oct. 25-26 The Hilton Inn 31500 Wick Road Romulus, Michigan 48174 (313) 292-3400

Chicago, Oct. 27-28 O'Hare Motor Inn 3939 North Mannheim Road Schiller Park, Illinois 60176 (312) 678-4800

TO REGISTER BY PHONE, CALL OUR REGISTRATION PHONE (201) 377-7400

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

DISCOUNT SCHEDULE: Single Registrations are \$395. Multiple registrations from the same organizations are entitled to discounts as follows:

Second Registration, \$360; Third and Additional, \$325

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: Contact the hotel directly and reserve a room. IMPORTANT! To receive the group discount on your room rate, please inform the hotel that you are attending an Institute seminar.

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE: The workshop schedule is built around lectures, exercises and feedback sessions designed to maximize attendee involvement. No evening sessions are scheduled. Attendees are given an overnight assignment requiring one hour of preparation time.

1.5 CEU's AWARDED: The CEU (Continuing Education Unit) is the national standard for recognition of professional education outside of the university. It has been adopted by extension divisions of 600 colleges, by numerous professional associations and by other educational groups throughout the country. A permanent record of CEU's earned is maintained by the American Institute.

ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

The American Institute for Professional Education, founded in 1972, is a non-profit corporation formed to serve the advanced educational needs of professionals. It seeks to provide educational programs unlike those available through other channels. These programs address both the management and technical problems engendered by rapid change in industry.

Most programs take the form of two day seminars conducted in major cities. These seminars focus on solutions rather than problems, and are designed to increase the professional competence of participants. The Faculty bring to the seminars hands-on experience. They are, in all cases, professionals chosen for their specialized knowledge of the subject at hand. These experts make every effort to extend and enforce the attendee's learning experience after the seminar.

TRAINING DIRECTORS: For further information about In-House Training Courses and other large group attendance at the sessions listed above, please contact the Education Director at the above address.

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Single \$395	Saddle Brook, Sep. 26-27
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